

22. (Amended) An animal feed composition comprising an anti-bacterial fatty acid component and at least one antibiotic, wherein the anti-bacterial fatty acid component is a high lauric acid natural oil, or a derivative thereof having high lauric acid content.

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29. (Amended) An animal feed composition comprising an anti-bacterial fatty acid component and at least one antibiotic, wherein the combined amount of at least one antibiotic and at least one anti-bacterial fatty acid component in the animal feed is sufficient to enhance growth of the animal as compared to the feed composition without the added antibiotic and without the added anti-bacterial fatty acid component, wherein antibiotics in the animal feed comprise less than 50% of a maximal antibiotic supplement.

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31. (Amended) An animal feed composition comprising an anti-bacterial fatty acid component and at least one antibiotic, wherein antibiotics in the animal feed comprise less than 50% of an optimal antibiotic supplement for controlling *Salmonella typhimurium*.

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36. (Amended) An animal feed composition comprising an anti-bacterial fatty acid component in an amount sufficient to promote the health of said animal,

wherein said anti-bacterial fatty acid component is incorporated in said feed in a manner which does not protect said feed composition from microbial spoilage and wherein the anti-bacterial fatty acid component is a high lauric acid natural oil, or a derivative thereof having high lauric acid content.



38. (Amended) An animal feed composition according to claim 36, wherein lauric acid in the high lauric acid oil, or derivative thereof, comprises 2 % to 10 % of the animal feed.